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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on _____.
- 2a) This action is **FINAL**. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 1-20 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on 07 November 2001 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____. |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date <u>11/7/01</u> . | 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____. |

DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

1. The references listed in the Information Disclosure Statement submitted on 11/7/01 have been considered by the examiner (see attached PTO-1449).

Drawings

2. The drawings received on 11/7/01 are acceptable by the examiner.

Specification

3. The disclosure is objected to because it contains an embedded hyperlink and/or other form of browser-executable code. Particularly, paragraphs 0032, 0040, 0041, 0045-0047 contain embedded hyperlinks and/or other forms of browser-executable code. Applicant is required to delete the embedded hyperlink and/or other form of browser-executable code. See MPEP § 608.01.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

5. **Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Choksi *et al.* (U.S. Patent Number 6,477,243).**

Regarding **claim 1**, Choksi discloses a method of distributing a facsimile to an Internet enabled device, comprising receiving a facsimile (step 106 in Fig. 6, column 9, lines 1-17), storing the facsimile on a storage media at a specific location (step 108 in Fig. 6, column 9, lines 12-17), identifying an Internet enabled device associated with each intended recipient of the facsimile (step 110 in Fig. 6, column 9, lines 18-29), and notifying each identified Internet enabled device of the specific location for the saved facsimile (step 112 in Fig. 6, column 6, lines 18-55).

Regarding **claim 2**, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 1, and further teaches that the notifying each identified Internet enabled device of the specific location for the saved facsimile comprises sending the Internet enabled device an e-mail identifying the specific location for the saved facsimile (see Figs. 5 and 6, column 8, line 49-column 9, line 29).

Regarding **claim 3**, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 1, and further teaches of using the Internet enabled device to retrieve the saved facsimile from the specific location, and printing the facsimile (column 5, lines 49-67).

Regarding *claim 4*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 1, and further teaches that the Internet enabled device is selected from the group consisting of an embedded web server printer and a web browser enabled printer (column 5, lines 24-67).

Regarding *claim 5*, Choksi discloses a method of distributing a facsimile comprising sending a facsimile to a registered address (step 106 in Fig. 6, column 9, lines 1-17), retrieving the facsimile (column 8, lines 49-67), determining a set of intended recipients for the facsimile from the registered address (step 110 in Fig. 6, column 9, lines 18-29), saving the facsimile with to a specific storage location on a storage media (column 8, lines 3-67, and step 108 in Fig. 6, column 9, lines 12-17), and notifying each of the set of intended recipients of the saved facsimile and the specific storage location for retrieving the facsimile (step 112 in Fig. 6, column 6, lines 18-55).

Regarding *claim 6*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 5, and further teaches that the registered address is associated with a facsimile distribution center (column 8, line 3-column 9, line 29).

Regarding *claim 7*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 6, and further teaches that the facsimile distribution center comprises a computer program for receiving facsimiles, sending facsimiles, sending e-mails, and determining intended recipients for saved facsimiles (column 8, line 3-column 9, line 29).

Regarding *claim 8*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 5, and further teaches that the registered address is selected from the group consisting of phone numbers, e-mail addresses and URL addresses (column 7, line 49-column 8, line 67).

Regarding *claim 9*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 5, and further teaches that determining a set of intended recipients from the registered address comprises querying a database for determining a set of intended recipients (column8, lines 3-67).

Regarding *claim 10*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 9, and further teaches that querying a database for determining a set of intended recipients comprises querying the database with the registered address to determine at least one recipient contact information address associated with the registered address (column7, line 49-column 8, line 67).

Regarding *claim 11*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 10, and further teaches that the recipient contact information address is selected from the group consisting of phone numbers, e-mail addresses, and URL addresses (column7, line 49-column 8, line 67).

Regarding *claim 12*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 10, and further teaches that querying a database for determining a set of intended recipients further comprises querying the database with the registered address to determine at least one recipient name associated with the registered address (column7, line 49-column 8, line 67).

Regarding *claim 13*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 5, and further teaches that saving the facsimile with to a specific storage location on a storage media comprises saving the facsimile to a storage media associated with a URL address, and assigning a unique path name to the saved facsimile (column7, line 49-column 8, line 67).

Regarding *claim 14*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 5, and further teaches that notifying each of the set of intended recipients of the saved facsimile and the specific storage location for retrieving the facsimile comprises sending each of the set of

intended recipients a facsimile identifying the specific storage location of the saved facsimile (column7, line 49-column 8, line 67).

Regarding *claim 15*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 5, and further teaches that notifying each of the set of intended recipients of the saved facsimile and the specific storage location for retrieving the facsimile comprises sending each of the set of intended recipients an e-mail identifying the specific storage location of the saved facsimile (column7, line 49-column 8, line 67).

Regarding *claim 16*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 5, and further teaches that notifying each of the set of intended recipients of the saved facsimile and the specific storage location for retrieving the facsimile comprises notifying an Internet enabled device of the specific storage location for retrieving the facsimile, and activating the Internet enabled device to retrieve the facsimile from the specific storage location (column7, line 49-column 8, line 67).

Regarding *claim 17*, Choksi discloses the method discussed above in claim 16, and further teaches of printing the facsimile at the Internet enabled device (column 5, lines 24-67).

Regarding *claim 18*, Choksi discloses a system for distributing facsimiles comprising a facsimile distribution center for receiving facsimiles (step 106 in Fig. 6, column 9, lines 1-17), saving facsimiles (step 108 in Fig. 6, column 9, lines 12-17), and sending notification messages (step 112 in Fig. 6, column 6, lines 18-55), a storage media for storing facsimiles saved by the facsimile distribution center (column 8, lines 3-67, and column 9, lines 12-17), and a database for determining intended recipients for received facsimiles (column 8, lines 3-67).

Regarding **claim 19**, Choksi discloses the system discussed above in claim 18, and further teaches that the facsimile distribution center comprises at least one computer program for receiving facsimiles, accessing the database to determine at least one intended recipient of the facsimile, and notifying the at least one intended recipient of the facsimile by a method selected from the group consisting of e-mail and facsimile (column 8, line 3-column 9, line 17).

Regarding **claim 20**, Choksi discloses the system discussed above in claim 18, and further teaches that the facsimile distribution center comprises at least one computer program for receiving facsimiles, saving facsimiles, and sending notification messages, and at least one communications port for communicating with the Internet or a phone line (column 5, lines 13-35, and column 8, line 3-column 9, line 17).

Citation of Pertinent Prior Art

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure:

Saito et al. (U.S. Patent Number 6,208,426) discloses a facsimile communication system that sends a notification having a URL address of a stored message.

Conclusion

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Joe Pokrzywa whose telephone number is (571) 272-7410. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 9:00-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward L. Coles can be reached on (571) 272-7402. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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